

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 OECD P 27328 01 OF 02 152129Z

73

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 EA-06 IO-10 ISO-00 FEA-01 AID-05 CEA-01

CIAE-00 COME-00 EB-04 FRB-01 INR-05 NEA-06 NSAE-00

RSC-01 OPIC-03 SP-02 TRSE-00 CIEP-01 LAB-01 SIL-01

SWF-01 OMB-01 AEC-05 DODE-00 FPC-01 H-01 INT-05 L-02

NSC-05 PM-03 SAM-01 OES-03 SS-15 STR-01 SAJ-01 SSO-00

NSCE-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 /106 W
----- 125537

O R 152216Z NOV 74

FM USMISSION OECD PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASH DC IMMEDIATE 4324

USMISSION GENEVA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY BERN

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY DUBLIN

USMISSION EC BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY HELSINKI

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY LISBON

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG

AMEMBASSY MADRID

AMEMBASSY OSLO

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK

AMEMBASSY ROME

AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY VIENNA

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 OECD P 27328 01 OF 02 152129Z

AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 01 OF 02 OECD PARIS 27328

GENEVA PASS TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, OECD

SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY

REF: A) USOECD 27148; B) BRUSSELS 8814;
C) USOECD 26513; D) STATE 252037; E) USOECD 27149;
F) USOECD 26130

1. SUMMARY: OECD COUNCIL ADOPTED DECISION ESTABLISH-
ING NEW INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY NOVEMBER 15.
FRANCE, FINLAND AND GREECE ABSTAINED. FRENCH COMMENTS
WERE CAST IN MODERATE TERMS. GREEK REP INDICATED HIS
ABSTENTION IN NO WAY REFLECTED ATTITUDE OF GREECE
TOWARDS IEA, OR ULTIMATE POSITION OF GREEK GOVERNMENT
RE JOINING AGENCY. INTERNATIONAL MEETING TO
SIGN AGREEMENT, AND FIRST IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 18. END SUMMARY.

2. OECD COUNCIL NOVEMBER 15 ADOPTED COUNCIL DECISION
(IN C(74)203 AND CORRIGENDUM) ESTABLISHING INTERNATION-
AL ENERGY AGENCY (IEA) AS AUTONOMOUS BODY IN OECD. ALL
OECD DELEGATIONS VOTED IN FAVOR OF COUNCIL DECISION
EXCEPT FRANCE, FINLAND AND GREECE, WHICH ABSTAINED.
COUNCIL ALSO NOTED:

A) DECLARATION BY IEA MEMBERS CONCERNING OECD-WIDE
COOPERATION ON ENERGY (REF B), AND;

B) STATEMENT BY BELGIAN CHARGE (ON BEHALF OF ECG)
CONCERNING FUTURE CHANGES IN TE OF THE AGENCY,
ALONG LINES PARA 4 REF A. ON BASIS PRIOR CONSULTATION
WITH LATZKE AND FACT THAT NO AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL
DECISION WERE RAISED BY OTHERS DURING COUNCIL MEETING,
U.S. DID NOT PURSUE POINT RAISED PARA 2 REF D).

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 OECD P 27328 01 OF 02 152129Z

3. SEVERAL PERMREPS MADE OFFICIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE
RECORD EXPLAINING THE POSITIONS OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS.
RECURRING THEMES WERE:

(A) DESIRE TO AVOID CONFRONTATION WITH THE PRODUCERS,
AND

(B) DESIRE THAT EXISTING ENERGY COOPERATION ON AN OECD-

WIDE BASIS NOT BE GUTTED BY CREATION OF IEA.

4. FRENCH REP (VALERY) REPEATED FOR THE RECORD AND IN BRIEFER FORM, SUBSTANCE OF HIS REMARKS TO HEADS OF DEL NOV. 7 (REF C). HE REITERATED THAT FRANCE CONSIDERS OECD AS INDISPENSABLE FOR "CONCERTATION" AMONG THE MAJOR CONSUMERS, AND THAT THE MAJOR ISSUE IS THE PRICE OF OIL. PROBLEM, HE SAID, CANNOT BE SETTLED EXCEPT THROUGH A COMMON EFFORT OF PRODUCERS, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND LDC CONSUMERS, WHICH SHOULD BEGIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND WHICH SHOULD BE PREPARED THROUGH CONCERTATION AT OECD. CONFRONTATION SHOULD BE AVOIDED AND THE PRODUCER-CONSUMER DIALOGUE SHOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION UNDERLYING ECONOMIC PROBLEMS ON BOTH SIDES.

5. FRANCE, VALERY CONTINUED, CONSIDERS THAT ESTABLISHMENT OF THE IEA "IS NOT THE MOST OPPORTUNE" WAY TO DEAL

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 OECD P 27328 02 OF 02 152138Z

73

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 EA-06 IO-10 ISO-00 FEA-01 AID-05 CEA-01

CIAE-00 COME-00 EB-04 FRB-01 INR-05 NEA-06 NSAE-00

RSC-01 OPIC-03 SP-02 TRSE-00 CIEP-01 LAB-01 SIL-01

SWF-01 OMB-01 AEC-05 DODE-00 FPC-01 H-01 INT-05 L-02

NSC-05 PM-03 SAM-01 OES-03 SS-15 STR-01 SAJ-01 SSO-00

NSCE-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 /106 W

----- 125612

O R 152216Z NOV 74

FM USMISSION OECD PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASH DC IMMEDIATE 4325

USMISSION GENEVA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY BERN
AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS
AMEMBASSY CANBERRA
AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN
AMEMBASSY DUBLIN
USMISSION EC BRUSSELS
AMEMBASSY HELSINKI
AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE
AMEMBASSY LISBON
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG
AMEMBASSY MADRID
AMEMBASSY OSLO
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK
AMEMBASSY ROME
AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM
AMEMBASSY TOKYO
AMEMBASSY VIENNA
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 OECD P 27328 02 OF 02 152138Z

AMEMBASSY WELLINGTON

C O N F I D E N T I A L SECTION 02 OF 02 OECD PARIS 27328

WITH THIS BASIC PROBLEM' BUT IT WILL NOT PREVENT
CREATION OF THE NEW AGENCY. FOR THIS REASON, FRANCE
ABSTAINS ON THE COUNCIL DECISION. WHILE FRANCE'S
RESERVATIONS CONCERNING CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE COUNCIL
DECISION HAD NOT BEEN "ENTIRELY DISPELLED", THE
SEPARATE DECLARATION BY IEA MEMBER COUNTRIES, AND
PARTICULARLY THE STATEMENT BY THE BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVE
ON THE AMENDMENT QUESTION HAVE BEEN USEFUL CLARIFICATIONS

6. IN DIFFERENT NUANCE ON ONE POINT, VALERY SAID TIME
WAS RIPE FOR A MEETING ON THE OECD LONG TERM ENERGY
ASSESSMENT, WHICH SHOULD "CERTAINLY" BE AT MINISTERIAL
LEVEL (HE HAD SAID "POSSIBLY" AT NOV. 7 HEADS OF DEL
MEETING). ACCORDING TO FRENCH DCM DE WARENGHIEN'
VALERY AVOIDED TAKING MORE INSISTENT POSITION ON THIS
POINT LARGELY BECAUSE OF GOF CONCERN THAT OTHERS MIGHT
CONCLUDE THAT FRANCE WAS TRYING TO LINK ACCEPTANCE OF
MINISTERIAL TO FRENCH AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISHMENT OF IEA.
DE WARENGHIEN SAID POSSIBILITY OF SUCH INFERENCE HAD
BEEN BROUGHT TO GOF MINISTERIAL-LEVEL ATTENTION AS
RESULT OF HIS CONVERSATION WITH MISSION(REPORTED REF F).

7. OTHER DELS' COMMENTS OF SIGNIFICANCE:

A. NORWAY, BECAUSE OF HER PROSPECTIVE POSITION AS A NET OIL EXPORTER, HAS DECIDED NOT TO JOIN THE NEW AGENCY. HOWEVER, IF A SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT CAN BE MADE, NORWAY IS PREPARED TO ENTER INTO A BINDING AGREEMENT ON DEMAND RESTRAINT AND ACTIVATION OF STANDBY CAPACITY UNDER THE EMERGENCY PROGRAM. IT ALSO DESIRES TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LONG-TERM COOPERATION PROGRAM.

B. FINLAND. FINLAND IS NOT PREPARED TO JOIN AS A CHARTER MEMBER BUT WILL FOLLOW THE ACTIVITIES OF THE AGENCY CLOSELY. FINLAND BELIEVES IT TO BE OF PARA-CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 OECD P 27328 02 OF 02 152138Z

MOUNT IMPORTANCE THAT OECD-WIDE COOPERATION ON ENERGY NOT BE WEAKENED BY ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NEW AGENCY.

C. GREECE. THE GREEK GOVERNMENT RESERVES ITS POSITION FOR THE TIME BEING AND WILL DECIDE LATER AS TO WHETHER IT WISHES TO JOIN THE NEW AGENCY. THE GREEK DELEGATE STRESSED THAT ABSTENTION SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED TO MEAN THAT GREECE IS CRITICAL IN ANY WAY OF THE NEW AGENCY.

D. AUSTRIA/SWITZERLAND/SWEDEN. ALL THREE NEUTRALS INDICATED THEIR INTENTION TO MAKE STATEMENTS CONCERNING THEIR NEUTRALITY AT THE TIME OF SIGNATURE OF THE AGREEMENT ON NOV. 18.

E. NEW ZEALAND. GNZ DECISION ON JOINING WILL BE TAKEN SHORTLY. NEW ZEALAND REP STRESSED THAT, WHETHER OR NOT NEW ZEALAND JOINS, GNZ HOPES THAT R&D WORK IN NEW AGENCY WILL BE OPEN FOR PARTICIPATION BY ALL OECD MEMBERS.

F. AUSTRALIA. AUSTRALIAN REP SAID GOA DID NOT INTEND FOR THE TIME BEING TO JOIN THE NEW AGENCY. HE SAID AUSTRALIA THEREFORE PLACES PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE ON MAINTAINING OECD-WIDE COOPERATION ON ENERGY ISSUES.

G. ICELAND. ICELAND IS NOT PREPARED TO JOIN NEW AGENCY "AT LEAST AT THIS INITIAL STAGE".

8. PRESS RELEASE ISSUED AT TERMINATION OF TODAY'S MEETING WAS AS TRANSMITTED REF E), EXCEPT THAT THE NEXT TO LAST PARAGRAPH (AT SUGGESTION OF USDEL) PHASE "AND ALL RELATED MATTERS" WAS REVISED TO READ "AND RELATED MATTERS" TO CONFORM TO DRAFT ENTRY. INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF THE 16 IEA MEMBERS TO SIGN THE

AGREEMENT, AND FIRST GOVERNING BOARD MEETING OF THE
NEW AGENCY, ARE SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, NOV. 18.
TURNER

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: MEETING VOTING RECORDS, ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 NOV 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974OECDP27328
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740331-0029
From: OECD PARIS
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19741140/aaaabhix.tel
Line Count: 280
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 6
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: A) USOECD 27148; B) BRUSSELS 8814;
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 28 MAR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <28 MAR 2002 by worrelsw>; APPROVED <24 MAY 2002 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AGENCY
TAGS: ENRG, OECD, IEA
To: STATE GENEVA
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005